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1. On 15 March 1955, at the management conference of the Main Administration for Shipbuilding in the East German Ministry for Machine Construction, it was decided that the VEB Schiffselektrik Rostock would be liquidated. Schiffselektrik Rostock previously installed all electrical equipment in all ships and supplied the necessary electric motors, etc., This work would now be done by the shipyards themselves since, allegedly, Schiffselektrik's work was always late and thereby caused delays in the delivery of the ships.

2. The dissolution of the Rostock plant is to take place as soon as possible. The "Orders and Communications of the Ministry for Machine Construction" will publish the arrangements to be made for the supply parts already ordered by Schiffselektrik, arrangements which will apply to all supplying firms and to the shipyards.

3. Frits Bulik, stock planner (Material-planer) in the Main Administration for Shipbuilding, has reported that the allocations assured the Main Administration will last only until August 1955. He is of the opinion that changes in the plan will not alter the situation since in no case will more material be available. Wood for deck planking, etc., is simply not to be had. Bulik stated that the plan was set too high from the very beginning without any consideration of the supply situation (Material-Kennsiffern).

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